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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

STEPHEN M. BRUNELL et al.

Application No.: 09/293,231 ✓

Filed: April 16, 1999

For: **SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR
ELECTROSURGICAL REMOVAL OF THE
STRATUM CORNEUM**

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Examiner: M. Mendez

Art Unit: 3763

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 28, 2001,
Applicant elects Group 3, figures 17-18, 19. All claims 1-39 read on the elected species.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of
this application, please telephone the undersigned at (408) 736-0224.

Respectfully submitted, ✓

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